

**City of Lincoln Park
Community Improvement Commission
Minutes of Thursday April 19, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.

Present: Mayor Pat Krause Bill Samland Rose Papp Mike Parr
Joan Hinske Cheryl Buss

Absent: Ryan Krause Virginia Mondon Shawn Timpe Don Cook

On Motion of Mike Parr and second by Rose Papp, the April 19, 2012 agenda was approved.

Bill explained to the committee that the minutes from the March 15, 2012 meeting were not complete due to Shawn not recording them in the proper way. He informed the committee that Shawn is in the process of redoing the minutes and they will be available by the next meeting to review. Mayor Krause made a motion to table the approval of the March 15, 2012 minutes to the May 17, 2012 meeting. Mike seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Rose stated that the report she received from Lisa Griggs showed that the General Account was a -99.35 again and that Contributory Account was \$1429.12. The Mayor stated that she thought she had this cleared up the month before when she had Doreen call to verify the account. Mike stated that it appears that the -99.35 is what we spent out of the account and that the balance should be \$400.65. Mayor Krause stated that she will give Lisa a call and get the matter cleared up.

Pride in Property Awards:

Bill informed the committee that both Dix Animal Hospital and the resident of 1064 Emmons attended the City Council meeting last month to receive their awards. Bill informed the committee that Chelsea at 1064 Emmons expressed an interest to join the 2012 Garden walk.

Garden Walk 2012:

Mayor Krause informed the committee that the Patkeys will not be on the Garden walk this year. Mayor Krause stated that she would like to see a previous participant come back each year. Bill inquired if a CIC member could be on the Garden Walk. Bill informed the committee that Sylvia Gardokie on New York has agreed to be on the tour this year. He also commented that he has contacted several potential participants and will continue to contact more and follow up.

Mayor Krause asked that the following be contacted:

854 Riverbank, The Daniels on Pagel & Fort Park, The Finks at 1773 Emmons, The Woods at Ferris & Progress, House left of the Nome house on Ferris, Weiss on Leblanc, Chapman on Winchester, DePodesta on Markese.

Mike volunteered to find a videographer for this year's walk.

Cheryl Buss had volunteered to prepare the raffle basket at a budget of \$20.

Cheryl Buss would like to help with vendors. Mayor Krause stated to make sure a vendor letter is sent out a.s.a.p. once a vendor is confirmed.

Miscellaneous Matters:

Rose stated that she feels that Virginia has missed several meetings and that she should be replaced. Mayor Krause agreed and that she will handle the matter. Bill stated that 3 commission seats are up as of May 1, 2012 and that they are Rose Papp, Joan Hinske and Ryan Krause. Rose and Joan have expressed that they would like to be reinstated. Mayor Krause will handle their reinstatement. Mayor Krause will ask Ryan if he would like to be reinstated.

Bill would like to try to implement a new program in which local businesses adopts one or two of the planters along Fort Street and plant flowers and take care of them. Mayor Krause stated that the City has a water truck that could water them. He also would like the CIC committee to donate time to plant flowers and shrubs in front of City Hall. Joan said she would donate some Day Lilies. Bill also brought up the fact that if the City Hall was professionally power washed, it would make a huge difference on the look of the building. Mayor Krause said she would look into it.

Mayor Krause stated that the DPS workers told her that the bushes and trees across from City Hall are dying and that they could remove the trees and bushes and replace them with the fountain that was at Fort and Arlington. She will keep the committee updated. The Mayor also informed the committee that on April 22, 2012 at noon a group of volunteers will be weeding the area directly across from City Hall. All who would like to help are welcome to join in.

Mike stated that the 5th flag pole is still missing in the medium of Fort and Southfield. He also stated that the balls on top are not matching. Mike stated that the letter for the Fire Dept. and Police Dept. concerning the lowering of the flag in inclement weather has not been sent. Bill asked Mike if he could take care of writing and sending the letter, Mike agreed he will.

Mayor Krause informed the committee that a New Dominos will be opening on Dix. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony this week. There will also be a ribbon ceremony for Game Stop this week.

Mayor Krause gave an update on the Dix Plaza. They reviewed the plans for her and the council and it looks great. They are expected to start demolition on July 1st. The Lofts are to start demolition on the rear of the building on May 1st.

Next Meeting: Thursday May 17, 2012 at 7 pm.

Motion to Adjourn: On motion of Mike Parr and second by Joan Hinske the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Shawn Timpe, Secretary